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INFAMOUS BEYOND ALL FORMER PRECEDENTS

Read and Blush!

Of all the infamous circulars that ever came under our notice, the following surpasses them all. Working men of Ohio, are you prepared to submit to this degradation from whig leaders, called "commercial range?"

Democrats of Ohio, read it and re-read it, use it on every stump in the State—spread it in the newspapers—talk about it wherever you meet together—show it to every working man in "your commercial range!" on our Canals, Rivers, Lakes and Rail Roads!

This infamous spirit of oppression of the working classes has scarcely a parallel in the corrupt tyrannies in Europe. We again say read—read!

WHIG STATE CENTRAL COM. ROOM,
Columbus, Sep. 25, 1852.

Sir:—The pending political contest is one of such peculiar and undoubted importance to commercial men, that we have considered it especially proper that the commercial portions of our population be represented by committees from among themselves. To this end, we have appointed a committee for your region of country, to look after and bring to the polls, the votes in your commercial range of influence. There are thousands employed one way and another, on our Canals, Rivers, Lakes and Railroads, whose support can be secured by such men as yourselves, and by nobody else. We ask your assistance. We are confident of Victory and we want your influence to make triumph as easy as possible.

The truth is, there is scarcely any interest safe from the attacks of Locofocoism. They oppose protection. They dare not show friendship for Internal Improvements. They have absolutely no State policy; but seem to rely upon their chances of raising a clamor against Railroads, Banks, Corporations, and other interests. Those who have hitherto escaped, are not safe, because new expedients must be resorted to, to keep alive the suspicions of one portion of the people against another.

Far more dangerous than any purpose avowed by their platform, is their encouragement of Dorism and filibusterism, which in once gain a foothold among us, make an end of all national or commercial stability. Of their recent proceedings in this State, the spirit of the party is far more dangerous than any one measure or set of measures. The moment a great enterprise of a public or private character becomes successful, they create public prejudice against it for political purposes. A man whose toil is suggested, is immediately disfranchised from public favor by the charge of aristocracy, and such kinds of profitable extortion are attacked in their turn. Thus under the disguise of Democracy, they attack and destroy the principles which lie at the bottom of all true republicanism.

A. F. PERRY, J. D. CALDWELL,
JOHN MILLER, EDWARD BALL,
ROBERT NEIL, LEWIS DREW,
LEWIS HEYL, THOS. W. TIPTON,
WM. DENNISON, JR., State Whig Central Committee.

Shameful Corruption among the Whig Office Holders.

The following exposes one of the basest systems of corruption among the federal office holders, ever developed, since the formation of our government. Let no one ask hereafter, where the corruption fund comes from, to carry on the base system of fraud, adopted by the whigs to defraud the ballot boxes. It is a general levy on all their dependents! Such a thing is new in our government, and deserves the severest condemnation of every lover of his country. Truly the Post Office Department has become a den of corruption and villainy.—*Statesman.*

For the Ohio Statesman.
SPRINGFIELD, October 7, 1852.

COL. MEDARY.—The following letter of Dr. Henderson, a whig Postmaster of this city, was written through mistake to a Democratic Postmaster in this county, S. H. Wallace of Tremont. Mr. Wallace was left in the Post Office there, on two accounts, viz: There could not be found in or about Tremont a whig capable of discharging the duties of the office; and secondly, the salary of the office was not sufficient to justify the importation of a whig. Dr. Henderson had forgot the circumstances, and hence he committed the egregious blunder of writing the following letter:

W. HENDERSON, September 15, 1852.

MY DEAR SIR:—The accompanying letter I received from Mr. Lawrence, a day or two ago, calling on me, and the other Postmasters of the county, for some pecuniary aid in the coming Presidential election. You are aware that an immense amount of money is required to prosecute successfully, this great political contest; and I suppose we ought not to refuse to contribute something for the sake of the cause, inasmuch as they will hold us accountable for not complying. Hoping, therefore, that you will see the necessity of coming to the rescue of the whig party in a trying crisis like the present, I beg the confidence to believe you will make the remittance required.

I am Sir, respectfully yours,
J. HENDERSON, P. M.
POSTMASTER, TREMONT.

The Religious Test in New Hampshire.

The whig journals, utterly failed in their attempt to fasten upon Gen. Pierce the charge of bigotry and intolerance, have not scrupled to affirm that the maintenance of the disability clause in the constitution of New Hampshire has been in defiance of the counsels and efforts of such democrats as Gen. Pierce and Judge Woodbury, the policy of the democratic party. To sustain this absurd falsehood, the whig organs have published garbled returns of the popular vote in a portion of the towns of the State. The following statement, which we find in the Albany Argus, shows how the suffrage of the two parties in the town of Newport, where the vote was taken and recorded by eyes and noses.—*Wash. Union.*

"A NEW HAMPSHIRE TEST WHIG CORNERED.—The recent New Hampshire whig State convention unanimously adopted a resolution declaring that the whigs of that State had always been in favor of abolishing the religious test."

"Among those delegates who voted for that abominable falsification of well-known historical facts was a Mr. D. Terry, of Newport, when the question of abolishing the test was submitted to the people, voted in town meeting against abolishing it."

"The vote in that town it happens, unfortunately for this pretended anti-test whig, was taken by eyes and noses, and his name stands recorded among those who voted openly against abolishing the test."

"The vote of this town of Newport on this great question of religious toleration is significant of the relative position of parties in the State. Of those who voted to abolish the test, one hundred and twenty-nine were democrats, and eleven only were whigs and free-soilers. Of those who voted against abolishing, and in favor of retaining the test, seventy-five were whigs and free-soilers, and only four were democrats."

"This small fact is worth volumes of whig profession on the eve of an election, as illustrative of the attitude of parties in New Hampshire on the test question."

Death of Daniel Webster.

MARSHFIELD, Oct. 24.—Daniel Webster died this morning at 3 o'clock.

DEMOCRATIC BANNER

"THE LIBERTY OF THE PEOPLE—THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE STATES—THE PERPETUITY OF THE UNION—THESE constitute the mission of the American democracy; and that party will be able to fulfill this mission so long as it stands on its own principles, and upon them alone, unswayed by temptations of expediency, and unmoved, alike, by the caresses of orthodoxy or sectional factions."—*William Allen.*

TUESDAY, : : : : OCTOBER 26, 1852.

For President of the United States,

FRANKLIN PIERCE,

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

For Vice President of the United States,

WILLIAM R. KING,

OF ALABAMA.

SENATORIAL ELECTORS.

WASHINGTON McLEAN, of Hamilton county.

BARNABUS BURNS, of Richmond county.

DISTRICT ELECTORS.

1. Charles Ruhl, 13. William Golden,

2. George W. Stokes, 14. Hugh J. Jowett,

3. R. S. Cunningham, 15. William Okey,

4. Enoch G. Dial, 16. Charles H. Michener,

5. Saml. H. Steadman, 17. Charles T. McArthur,

6. Chas. J. Oston, 18. James Findley,

7. Joseph Kyle, 19. Saml. D. Harris, Jr.,

8. William Cleveland, 20. E. T. Widner,

9. William Palmer, 21. Elias H. Haines,

10. Benj. F. Johnson, 22. John B. Dumble,

11. John B. Dumble.

MONEY! MONEY! MONEY!

Our delinquent subscribers, and especially those indebted to the late firm of DUNBAR & ARNOLD, must come and settle up their old accounts, as we want money and must have it!

DEMOCRATIC MEETING

AT THE COURT HOUSE

On Monday Evening Nov. 1st.

Hon. JOHN K. MILLER, and Col. GEORGE W. MORGAN, will address the Democracy, on Monday evening, Nov. 1st, at the Court House in Mt. Vernon, on the great issues that now agitate the country. Let there be a strong turnout.

Things to be Remembered.

Democrats Remember that the total receipts and expenditures of the Government during the four years of Mr. Polk's administration, including the expenses of the Mexican War and payments made in liquidation of the Public Debt, were as follows:

For the year ending June 30, 1846, the receipts of the Government were \$29,499,249 06

Total disbursements during same period were 29,031,114 20

For the year ending June 30, 1847, the receipts of the Government were 61,152,428 90

For the same year the total expenditures, including the extraordinary expenses of the Mexican war, and payment on account of the public debt were but 59,451,177 65

For the year ending June 30th, 1848 the receipts of the Government were 58,294,701 84

For the same year the total expenditures including the war expenses and about \$15,300,000 paid on public debt were but 58,241,167 24

For the year ending June 30th, 1849 the receipts of the Government were 48,983,035 10

During this year the war was paid on account of public debt and on account of the Mexican war, under the Treaty of 1848, 453,272 39

For the same year the whole of the other expenditures of the Government were 30,345,395 43

REMEMBER

That the expenses of Mr. Polk's administration for four years, deducting those items which are justly chargeable to carrying on the Mexican war, were as follows:

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1846, \$22,564,286 52

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1847, 24,729,244 61

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1848, 23,522,068 40

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1849, 30,345,395 43

This last item includes all expenses in organizing the Government of California and New Mexico, and keeping military posts along our southwestern frontier and Pacific coast.

REMEMBER

That during the three years rule of the present whig administration, the receipts and expenditures of the Government, in a time of profound peace, were as follows:

For the year ending June 30, 1850, the receipts of the Government were \$45,953,513 18

For the same year the ordinary expenditures of the Government under a whig administration were 43,002,168 69

For the year ending June 30, 1851, the receipts of the Government were 48,917,524 36

For the same year the expenditures of the whig administration were 45,005,878 68

For the year ending June 30, 1852, the receipts of the Government were 49,745,598 72

For the same year the expenditures of the Government under the whig administration were 45,170,474 09

That this enormous increase of expenses in the whig administration, is entirely owing to the systems of plunder carried on by the hungry cormorants who are now disgracing the Cabinet by the most bare faced frauds upon the public Treasury, and by a system of extravagance which has ever followed in the train of whig triumphs.

REMEMBER

That \$423,000 of the people's money was paid to Dr. Gardiner by Secretary Corwin, on a fraudulent claim in which said Corwin acted as the counsel of said Gardiner, and for his services received a fee of \$75,000.

REMEMBER

That Mr. Attorney General Crawford extorted the Old Galphin claim, in which he had acted as counsel, and swindled the Treasury of the people out of \$191,000 for interest alone, and for the sum he received by way of Attorney's fees, the sum of \$34,000.

REMEMBER

The Hargrove fraud of \$50,000 more, of which the Treasury was plundered to satisfy the avaricious maws of the Galphin dynasty.

REMEMBER

The Barron speculation, in which Mr. Solitude Ewing acted as Attorney, and by which the Public Treasury was swindled out of more than \$30,000.

DEMOCRATS, REMEMBER

That all this extravagance of whig misrule, and these bold and daring peculations upon the Public Treasury, are to be re-enacted, should General Scott be elevated to the Presidential chair.

REMEMBER

These things when you go to the polls on the second day of November next, and tell by your votes in favor of Pierce and King, that you will neither sanction nor sustain these unprecedented plunderings of the Public Treasury.

Look Out for Frauds!

Democrats look well to your tickets for Presidential Electors, before you deposit them in the ballot box. It has ever been the policy of the whig party, at our Presidential elections, to print and circulate FRAUDULENT TICKETS headed with the names of the Democratic candidates for President and Vice President, and the whig electors below. Beware of these frauds, and see that you obtain your tickets from a reliable Democrat before you vote.

REMEMBER

That it is the electors whose names are on the ticket, for whom you vote. Again we say, beware of false or mixed tickets. The whigs are in a hopeless minority in this State, and they are now playing a secret deep laid game to cheat and deceive the people.

From the secret circular published in this day's paper, of the Whig State Central Committee, at Columbus, you will see that the most daring corruptions are to be employed in each school district in the State. A corruption fund has been raised, by a tariff on government officials, by which it is designed to reach the principles of men through their pockets, and if they will resort to such base and corrupt means, they will also cheat you, if they can, by fraudulent tickets.

Again we say be on your guard. See that the name of every Democratic elector is on your ticket before you vote it, and once more, rally in support of Democratic men and Democratic principles.

More of the Base Forgery.

The following telegraph dispatch exposing the base forgery of a letter intended to injure Gen. Pierce was transmitted from Philadelphia to the Pittsburg Post:

BY TELEGRAPH.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 11, 1852.

Morning Post: A base forgery has been originated and published in the shape of a letter, purporting to have been written and signed by Gen. Franklin Pierce, and dated at Concord, N. H., June 17th, 1852, avowed hostility to the Catholics, and an approval of the Religious test. The letter is declared by Gen. Pierce to be an entire forgery—in the ideas—in the language—in the details—in the aggregate—and upon his authority I pronounce it to be so.

The State Central Committee will pay five hundred dollars to any one who will produce such a genuine, original letter.

W. L. HIRST,

Chairman State Central Committee.

We publish the forged letter in another column of day's paper, that Democrats may have an opportunity of seeing the desperate game that Galphin whiggery is playing to retain its power to plunder the public Treasury. Slevogman Robinson and Horace Greeley, who are the authors of this forged letter, can get the FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD by producing such a genuine original letter. Dare they undertake to produce such a letter, written by Gen. PIERCE? They dare not because it is a base forgery perpetrated by the desperate votaries of whiggery, to prop up their sinking hopes in the present Presidential campaign. The scoundrels should be lashed naked through the earth, for the perpetrations of such villainies.

ELECTION NEWS.

The Result More Glorious Than Was Anticipated.

O H I O

Has done nobly! Her majority on the State ticket will not be short of 17,500.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Old Keystone of the Democratic arch, has redeemed herself from the galling yoke of Galphin misrule. Her Democracy have come out of the contest like gold purified in the fire.

Their triumph is glorious—their victory complete! 20,000 majority inscribed upon their banner which they stand pledged to swell, in November next to

25,000

FOR PIERCE AND KING.

INDIANA.

The young giant of the West, has indeed set the prairies on fire, and her Democracy are now struggling to become the banner State of the Union. They come out of the late contest by a majority of 20,000, which they threaten to swell in November next to 25,000 for PIERCE and KING. Democrats of Ohio, do you hear that threat? Will you sleepat your posts, and suffer your younger sister to rob you of your reward as the banner State! Now's the time for you to gird on your armor, and move on your column for a still more glorious victory in November next. Don't stop short of

30,000

majority. Remember the motto, "There are no obstacles to him that wills."

How Stands the Account?

The following which we clip from the Statesman of the 18th, shows how the political account stands as between Gen. Pierce and Gen. Scott.

"Since the nominations of candidates for the Presidency, by the whig party, whig parties at Baltimore, elections for State and county officers have taken place in ten States.

In posting up the books we find the account presents itself to the country in an attitude something like the following:

SCOTT COLUMN.

North Carolina, 9573 maj.

Missouri, 913

Iowa, 612

Pennsylvania, 808

Indiana, 1095

Ohio, 1157

Wayne, 850

Stark, 800

Columbiana, 900

Mahoning, 1017

In the aggregate, 10,212!

These counties can easily, and will, at the Presidential Election, increase their aggregate majority to 12,000 and yet may set this down as a fair fact. Wake, up, then democrats, and let us on the hide of the Old Coon.

That Rich Brogue.

The "rich brogue" which Gen. Scott ascribes towards foreigners may be summed up in the following extracts from his native American letters:

"I CONGRATULATE in the principles of the Philadelphia (Native American) movement."

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Special Mission to Cuba.

"We learn from the New York Times, of yesterday," says the Baltimore Sun of the 14th, "that Com. Perry is to go out in the steam-fragate Powhatan, which will probably leave port on Saturday next, for Havana, as the Times understands, principally for the purpose of inquiry into recent transactions involving the rights and interests of the United States. The Cayenne, which sailed for Havana on Sunday last, received her orders by telegraph. It is believed that she will not anticipate the arrival of the Powhatan."

The Desperate Game of Whiggery.

Below will be found an article copied from the New Hampshire Patriot, exposing a base forgery, which the Patriot charges home upon HORACE GREELEY and his man Friday, SLEVOGMAN ROBINSON, who have resorted to that desperate game for the purpose of inducing the Catholics to oppose Gen. PIERCE. The Patriot charges that the letter is a base forgery, got up out of whole cloth, by these desperate votaries of Galphinism, to injure Gen. PIERCE, who was not at Concord at the time this letter purports to have been written. The letter itself is a libel upon the whole life and character of Gen. PIERCE, and was forged upon the eve of an important Presidential election, for the sole purpose of deceiving a large portion of voters who profess the Catholic religion. But GREELEY and Robinson are too well known to succeed by such an infamous fraud. Their villainy has been discovered in time to be exposed, and they branded as the base scoundrels who forged that letter for a still base purpose.

More Forgery.

A Scott campaign paper called the "Irishman," published in New York under the direction of Slevogman Robinson and Greeley, publishes the following letter:—

A LETTER FROM GEN. PIERCE.

CONCORD, N. H., June 7, 1852.

MY DEAR SIR:—Your telegraphic despatch informing of your nomination by the Democratic Convention at Baltimore as the candidate of our party for the Presidency, came duly to hand. A laudible ambition divests the expression of egotism, when I say, that I am more than honored to be selected as the standard bearer of our cause in this great country of ours. We will go into the canvass with every prestige of success, on account of the part I took as commanding officer in the Mexican War, and we will gain great strength in the Eastern and Atlantic States, because of my uniform opposition in every public capacity I have ever had the honor to occupy, to the clamorous demands of the western people for appropriations for what they call "Harbor and River Improvements,"—but which in my view is merely a system of plunder designed to feed a set of hungry Galphins out of our national treasury.

The Papists will naturally be more or less opposed to our ticket—but let them go. We never could depend upon them with any certainty, and they are a bigoted set, that we can get along without, better than with their numbers.

GOVERNMENT AS THEY ARE BY BISHOPS AND PRIESTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, and we have plenty of strength without them.

The Constitution of my own State very properly excludes these ARROGANT PRETENDERS from holding office, and we should rejoice that they voluntarily leave our platform.

The South I consider safe for us at all events, and it is thought by most knowing politicians of our party that we can manage the canvass as to the treasorial vote of the North, or at least a good part of it, by promising a portion of the Government patronage to some of their leading men in case of success.

I am very truly, yours,

FRANK PIERCE.

These infamous scoundrels pretend to have copied this letter from a Chicago paper published in July, and say that it "has been published for eight or ten weeks in the papers," and that Gen. Pierce has not denied its genuineness, and that he dare not do so. There is no doubt that this is the workmanship of their own hands, for it was never seen or heard of here until it appeared in the "Irishman" of the 9th instant. But whether it is the work of Robinson or not, it is a base forgery, made up out of whole cloth. No such letter was ever written by Gen. Pierce, or seen or heard of by him, and it appeared in this "Irishman."

It bears its own contradiction upon its face, as every intelligent man will see; and the infamy of its authors is no less on that account. It is well known that Gen. Pierce was not here at the time it purports to have been written, and every line of it bears the impress of the wretched scoundrels only to exhibit to the country another instance of the reckless and infamous conduct of the federal leaders. It shows that they will stop at no crime that they suppose will benefit their cause.

Backbone of Ohio Democracy.

The Mansfield Shield and Banner, thus sums up the result in the following counties, which it very appropriately denominates "The backbone of the Democracy of Ohio."

The great belt of Democratic counties from Seneca to Mahoning, have as usual, rolled up their thousands for the democratic ticket—they always make the cron fly, and no mistake.

Look at the figures.

Seneca rolls up 973 maj.

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Doctors will Differ.

While the Cleveland Herald and the Forest City are crying "all's well!"—the fires of 1840 burn brightly all over the country, and Scott is going to carry everything before him in November next, the "True Democrat," the organ of the abolition party in Ohio, whose sympathies lean rather towards the whig party, discourses thus dispassionately in regard to the result of the late elections:

PENNSYLVANIA—

